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| Filing Date            | November 7, 2000         |
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| Art Unit               | 2123                     |
| Examiner Name          | Jason Scott PROCTOR      |
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